

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Sabbath December 28 - Pastor Ghena Girleanu

Sabbath January 4 - Communion

Sabbath January 11 - Pastor Jonathan Deximo

WEEKLY MEETINGS

Wednesdays: 7pm - Prayer Meeting (**postponed**)

Tuesdays 7pm & Sabbaths 5pm - Bible Marking Class (**postponed**)

Thursdays or Fridays: 6:45pm - Adult Choir Practice

Fridays: 5:30pm - Youth Ensemble Practice

Fridays: 7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study (**postponed**)

Sabbaths: 6:00 pm - Young Adult Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 21 - Children's Church

December 31 - New Year's Eve Celebration

January 8 -17 - 10 Days of Prayer

January 11/12 - Crusader Club Meetings

January 18 - Junior / Earliteen Games Night

January 25 - Health Expo Volunteer Training

January 26 - Community Health Expo Event

January 27 - Optimize Your Brain

SUNSET Today ~ 4:31 pm / Next Week ~ 4:35 pm

NEXT WEEK

Elder: Azariah Mwenya

Worship Co-ordinator: Dhanis Ngendahayo

Greeters: Jennifer / Joslynn

Deacon: Valeriu Titica

Audio: Hugo Hudson

Visual: Kenneth Servito

Offering: Alberta Conference Advance

Calgary Central Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath, December 21, 2024

Immanuel, God With Us

Pastor Liviu Tilihoi



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Office Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm / Monday - Thursday

Senior Pastor: Ghena Girleanu

Associate Pastors: Liviu Tilihoi / Felix Richter

Youth Pastor: Jonathan Deximo

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

9:30 am

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON The Hour of Glory: The Cross & Resurrection
SANCTUARY TEACHER Jeff Allison

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

10:30 am

PRAISE TIME Youth Ensemble
EDUCATION & INSPIRATION Mission Spotlight
PRAISE TIME Youth Ensemble
CHURCH LIFE Pastor Ghena Girleanu
INVOCATION Song & Prayer
OPENING SONG "O Come, O Come, Immanuel" No.115
PASTORAL PRAYER Jeff Allison
TITHE AND OFFERING Church Family Budget
SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:26-33 Jacqueline Elkins
SPECIAL MUSIC "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Stefanie Rivera & Noah Xu
SERMON "Immanuel, God With Us" Pastor Liviu Tilihoi
CLOSING SONG "Joy To The World" No.125
BENEDICTION Pastor Liviu Tilihoi
POSTLUDE Deacons Usher Out

WORSHIP PIANIST: Kateryna Kosakivska

Our services are broadcast via live stream and digital recording. Church areas NOT shown during live streaming are on the balcony.

If you are a non-adventist visitor please connect with one of our Pastors after the service to receive a WELCOME GIFT.

Visit the Welcome Center if you require assistance with a meal for today or a three day food hamper.

WELCOME

CHILDREN'S CHURCH - We invite you to join us today at 10:55 AM in the church auditorium for a special Children's Church prepared for children ages 5-12. For younger children, we encourage you to bring them along with adult supervision. We look forward to seeing you there!

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION - There are still a few seats available to join us for our special end-of-year celebration! And, we are in need of more volunteers to provide soup for this event. If you're able to help, please complete the bulletin insert and drop it off in mailbox #209. We look forward to celebrating the start of a new year with you!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - The church office will be closed the week of December 23-27 and will reopen December 30th. The pastoral team and their families, wish you and your family a blessed Christmas season!

LOST & FOUND - Have you lost items that you cannot find? Please be sure to check the church's *Lost & Found* cupboard and look through the collection of water bottles, Bibles, glasses, clothing, and more. Unclaimed items will be donated on January 6th.

INTERNATIONAL SABBATH - We are excited to announce that International Sabbath is coming soon on March 8th, and we are looking for ethnic groups/individuals to participate by singing in their own language during this special Sabbath service! To participate, please contact Grace Trconic at gtrconic@gmail.com

FRIENDLY REMINDER - Any items borrowed from our Children's Sabbath School classrooms must be returned promptly. To ensure proper use and accountability, first ask the leader of the respective classroom for permission before removing it. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain an organized and respectful environment for our classrooms!

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

First Reading

1. Green Mahebe, from Golden Harvest SDA, Randburg, South Africa
2. Virginia Mahebe, from Golden Harvest SDA, Randburg, South Africa
3. Brian Ferguson, to Strathmore SDA Company, Strathmore, AB

Second Reading

1. Saint Chukwuemeka Nwosu, from Surrey SDA Church, Surrey, BC

CHURCH BUDGET

	2024	DECEMBER
Need to maintain our facility and support our programs	\$266,300	\$22,192
Received so far this year/this month	\$251,591	\$12,888
Building Fund Donations this Month		\$2,806

Note: Tithe money does not fund the amount needed each month to operate the local church and its ministries

Donors, Please Note: If donations received for a particular fund or project exceed those needed, the Church Board reserves the right to reallocate excess funds to other similar projects or to where most needed without further notice to the donor.

10 DAYS OF PRAYER

January 8-18, 2025

Readings by
Pavel Goia

But When You Pray . . .

"But when you pray . . . pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

MATTHEW 6:6, ESV

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10 DAYS OF PRAYER

But When

You Pray . . .

DAY 1

Abide in Me

DAY 2

Teach Us How to Pray

DAY 3

Be Specific

DAY 4

Unanswered Prayers (and Faith)

DAY 5

Hallowed be Your Name

DAY 6

Grit, Passion, and Perseverance

DAY 7

Your Kingdom Come

DAY 8

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

DAY 9

Forgive Our Debts as We Forgive Our Debtors

DAY 10

Do Not Lead Us into Temptation

SABBATH CELEBRATION

But When You Pray ...

JANUARY 8-18, 2025

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Calling all Soup Enthusiasts!!

The Nurture Team is looking for volunteers to contribute a crock pot of soup for our **New Year's Eve Celebration** on December 31st.

If you're able to help, please drop off this info sheet with your details to Mailbox 209. Your generosity will help make this event extra special as we come together to celebrate the blessings of the year!

Name _____

Cell _____

Email _____

What type of soup would you like to donate?



2025

JOIN US FOR A
New Year's
EVE PARTY

DECEMBER

TUESDAY

31

AT 3:30 PM

Hosted by: *Nurture Team Committee*

Special Program With
Music & Fellowship!

Menu Includes:

A Variety of Homemade Soups, Salad,
Buns & Fruit

**RSVP and save your seat! As
there is LIMITED seating!**



Number People Attending: _____

Names of each person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Place into mailbox #209 By DECEMBER 21ST

NEWSTART HEALTH EXPO

CALGARY CENTRAL SDA CHURCH

The **NEWSTART HEALTH EXPO** is a community outreach program offering free health screenings and resources, along with personal consultations in a supportive, caring environment. Our church is blessed to have a health message backed by scientific research, and we encourage everyone to embrace and share this message. To be a volunteer, no health professional background is required, however, a mandatory volunteer training session will be held the week prior to the Health Expo.



The NEWSTART Health Expo is a full-day commitment for volunteers
JANUARY 26 | 10 AM TO 5 PM

CHECK BOX TO INDICATE HOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER

- Nutrition - Health Education
- Exercise - Harvard Step Test
- Water - Hydrotherapy Education
- Sunlight - Blood Pressures
- Temperance - BMI Assessment
- Air - Lung Capacity Test
- Food Booth - Cook Recipes & Serve
- Rest - 10 Minute Massages
- (FULL) Trust - Health Consultation

DO YOU HAVE SPECIALIZED HEALTH TRAINING?

- Physician
- Nurse
- EMT
- Nutritionist / Dietician

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Booth you previously volunteered at:

Please Place in
Mailbox #146

2024 LAST-MINUTE DONATIONS – Important Note From The Treasurer

Dear Church Family,

As we approach the end of the year, please take note of the following guidelines for 2024 donations:

OFFERING COLLECTION DEADLINE:

The last Sabbath for tithes and offerings via the offering collection is Dec 28. Donations received after this date will be processed for 2025, even if the cheque is dated 2024.

OTHER DONATION METHODS:

Adventist Giving: Donations are accepted until midnight on Dec 31.

E-Transfers: Donations via e-transfer must be processed by your bank before midnight on Dec 31. The timestamp of the confirmation email reflects when the e-transfer was processed, not when it was sent. Please allow time for this to be reflected.

Mailed Donations: Donations must be postmarked by Dec 31. Please ensure the postal clerk postmarks your envelope and notify the office of your mailed donation.

DONATION DROP-OFFS:

Please do not drop donations in the church mailbox, slide them under the office door, or leave them in the treasurer's mailbox. Such donations will be recorded for 2025.

CHEQUE DONATIONS:

- *Please ensure* there are sufficient funds in your bank account to cover your cheque. NSF cheques will not be included in your 2024 receipt.
- *Donations* are receipted based on the name on the cheque, bank account, or credit card. Ensure the name on your offering envelope matches the name on your cheque. This applies to Adventist Giving and e-transfers as well.

ENSURING PROPER RECEIPT INFORMATION:

- *Ensure* your full name and address are legible on your offering envelope. If you donate by e-transfer without registering, the treasurer may not have your address. Please contact the office to confirm or provide your details.
- *If you wish* to receive your receipt by email, please provide your email address to the office. Emailed receipts are sent out sooner than printed ones. If you choose email, you won't receive a printed copy.

RECEIPTS DISTRIBUTION:

While we aim to distribute receipts by Feb 28, Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) does not have a deadline. Printed receipts will be placed in church mailboxes or mailed to those who don't have an email address. Please check your email (including spam) by the end of February to ensure you receive your receipt.

CRA DONATION DATE RULES:

The CRA considers the donation date to be when the gift is received by church. For mailed donations, the donation date is the postmark on the envelope. We will keep the stamped envelope as part of our records. Non-compliance with CRA rules could result in penalties for both the church and the donor.

If you have any questions, please contact the Treasurer, Michael Truong at 403-826-4349. Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

CHURCH FAMILY BUDGET

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED!



**Thank you for your generosity in helping us
continue to carry out the important work of
maintaining our church and serving our
members and community.**

